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**A FATAL PRECEDENT.**

A special session of congress meets today at noon. The eyes of all Oregonians are centered upon Washington, not so much on account of such legislation as may be enacted, but with a deep interest in the action of the senate in the matter of the seating of Henry W. Corbett as senator from this state.

The dispatches indicate that he, as well as that Kentucky appointee, will not be seated. That the senate will hold that the refusal of the legislature to organize for the purpose of avoiding the election of a senator, will be held the same as if it had organized and refused to elect. This is the only safe course open to it. Any other means anarchy, pure and simple. The establishing of the precedent that a legislature refusing to organize permits the governor to appoint a senator to fill the vacancy would be a fatal blow at our political fabric. It would be an assertion that the minority, and not the majority, should rule. It would make it possible for eleven men in the state senate of this state, at any session, to prevent the organization of the senate, to take the election of a senator away from the legislature, to which the constitution has given it, and place the power in the hands of the governor. When this is done, the gates are open, and who is there shall say where the end shall be?

Much as the party needs the senator from Oregon; much as Oregon needs her full representation in congress, she had better be deprived of both senators than that this attack upon our institutions should succeed. We are not dealing in the mica-splitting technicalities of the law "that doth distinguish and divide, a hair twixt south and southwest side;" but with the solid material facts of the situation. Neither do we deal with Mr. Corbett's fitness for the place. No matter how able he may be; no matter how valuable his services may be, he comes too high at the price of a violated constitution, an overthrowing of the principle that the majority rules, and the usurpation of legislative powers by the executive.

Should Mr. Corbett, or any other senator appointed as he was, be seated, a blow will have been struck at our political fabric that will cause it to totter. If Mr. Corbett were not moved by motives of self-aggrandizement, he would know this, and if he had a spark of patriotism, would refuse to aid in the nefarious plan to overthrow the principles that underlie our Republican form of government.

Asa Fisk, San Francisco's noted Shylock, is dead. He lived to a ripe old age, dying full of years, possessed of great wealth, and without a friend. Money was his god, and death took him from it. His heart was closed to every generous impulse, his hand locked against every plea of charity. Possessed of inordinate greed, his sole pleasure consisted in grasping. The pounds of flesh hacked from the bosoms of his fellowmen, were sweet morsels to his lips. His insatiate greed is ended, his worthless carcass carted off to rot in the graveyard, where even a self-respecting worm will hesitate long before tackling so unpalatable a feast.

Saturday we published in our editorial columns, an article taken from the Nation, a paper published at Washington, which was claimed to be Vice-President Hobart's address to the senate on taking his seat as its presiding officer. We regret exceedingly to say that the language was not his, and he did not say anything of

the kind. That is where he missed the opportunity of his life, for while he did not say the things credited to him, he should have done so, for they are words of wisdom and gems of truth.

Durand, he of organ fame in Portland a few years ago, has been arrested and brought back to Oregon for trial on charges of forgery. He stoutly denies having forged any of the notes which passed through his hands, and insists that they were made by the parties by whom they are purported to have been made, and asserts that he has been charged with forgery by them in order to clear themselves of any liability on the notes. His trial promises to throw considerable light on a very mysterious matter.

Brave little Greece that dares tell the murderous Turk that his brutalities must cease, and who, if let alone would put a stop to the murder of people charged with no more serious crime than that of being Christian, will undoubtedly have to succumb to the pressure brought to bear upon her. It is a picture that may well arouse the wonder of the civilized world, that of the crowned heads of Europe, standing by the degenerate Turk, and becoming accomplices in his bloody massacres.

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Notice of Final Settlement. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of the State of Oregon for Wasco County, his final account as the administrator of the estate of Phoebe M. Dunham, deceased, and that by an order of the County Court, made and entered on the 18th day of December, 1896, the county courthouse in Dalles City, Oregon, was fixed as the place and the 1st day of March, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. as the time for the hearing of said final account and objections thereto. A. R. THOMPSON, Administrator.

**ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.** Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed the assignee of the insolvent debtors. All persons having claims against him, or either of them, are hereby notified to present them to me properly verified, as by law required, within three months from the date hereof, at the office of J. L. Story, in Dalles City, Oregon; and all persons owing to him, or either of them, are hereby notified to settle with me at once. The Dalles, Dec. 8, 1896. L. S. DAVIS Assignee.

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